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CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY

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Petition for special permission to
place rate schedules into effect on
less than forty-five days' notice.

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PETITION

Central Illinois Light Company ("AmerenCILCO" or the "Company") by Jon R. Carls, Director, Regulatory Services Department of Ameren Services, does hereby petition the Illinois Commerce Commission ("Commission" or "ICC") that it be permitted, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-201 of the Illinois Public Utilities Act (Ch. 220 ILCS 5/9-201), to put into force and effect, less than forty-five days after the filing hereof with the Commission, the attached:

Electric Service Schedule III. C.C. No. 9

2nd Revised Sheet No. 33.14 canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. 33.14 – Rider EPA

Petitioner further represents that said attached proposed filing will supersede:

Electric Service Schedule III. C. C. No. 9

1st Revised Sheet No. 33.14 – Rider EPA

Rider EPA allows the Company to recover all fees paid by the Company pursuant to the provisions of subsection 18 of Section 39.5 of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (IEPA), 415 ILCS 5/39.5. These fees specifically pertain to fees paid to the IEPA to cover the cost of EPA permits pertaining to generation facilities. In October 2003,

AmerenCILCO transferred its power plants to a subsidiary, AmerenEnergy Resources Generating Company. Because of this transfer, Rider EPA will no longer be used by AmerenCILCO to collect these fees from customers of the Company. The Company plans to eliminate Rider EPA once the balance has been properly eliminated and a final reconciliation has been completed.

In order to accomplish this, the Company is filing a revision to Rider EPA with language that was developed by ICC Staff. The proposed language is located in a new section titled MECHANISM TO ELIMINATE THE OVER/UNDER RECOVERY BALANCE. This Section provides a mechanism for the Company to either refund or surcharge customers for any over-recoveries or under-recoveries that have been determined. It will allow the Company to determine a charge or credit per kilowatt-hour (kWh) based on the net under or over recovery balance from prior billing periods to be recovered until the adjustment per kWh results in a charge or credit of less than .001¢ per kWh.

The proposed language also states that the Company must file the billing or refund amount by the twentieth day of the month prior to a billing month. It is stated that October 2004 shall be the initial billing month, therefore the Company is required to file the billing or refund amount by September 20th. A 45 day filing made today would not be effective until October 1, 2004. This effective date would not permit the Company to make the required September 20th filing.

The Company requests that the attached revisions to Rider EPA be made effective on less than 45 days notice in order to permit the Company to file the Rider EPA billing or refund amounts by September 20, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

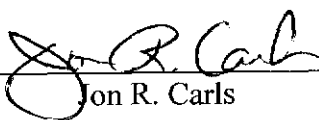
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By: 
Jon R. Carls, Director, Regulatory Services
Department, Ameren Services

Dated: August 17, 2004

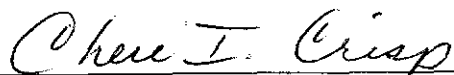
VERIFICATION

Jon R. Carls, being duly sworn upon his oath states as follows: (1) he is Director of Regulatory Services Department of Ameren Services; (2) he has read the attached Petition; (3) he is familiar with the facts contained there; (4) the facts in the Petition are true and correct to the best of his knowledge; and (5) he is authorized to file this Petition on behalf of AmerenCILCO.



Jon R. Carls

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to this
17th day of August, 2004.



Notary Public

